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In re Application of:

Patrick M. Sewall, et al

Serial No: 09/977,713

Filed: October 12, 2001

For: Compressed Data Structure and
Decompression System

) Attorney

) Docket Number: RIDG101

) Group Art Unit:

) Examiner:

December 10, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as follows.

In The Specification

N.E. Please delete paragraph 24 which describes a Fig. 16.

Please replace paragraph 42 with the following:

N.E. **SAMPLE COMPRESSED DATA STRUCTURE:** Figs. 11-15 contain block diagrams and tables illustrating a compressed data structure designed for an ARM (Advanced RISC Machine) processor. Fig. 11 illustrates a sample library 50 made up of ten segments 52 containing varying numbers of indexed positions 56. Each segment 52 can be represented by a four bit binary string ranging between 0000 and 1010. The number of positions 56 in each successive segment 52 follows a binary progression increasing by a factor of two. The first segment 52 contains sixteen positions 56 while the tenth segment 52 contains over eight thousand positions 56. Fig. 12 further illustrates the first segment 52 of Fig. 11. In Fig. 12, first segment 52 contains sixteen indexed positions 56.

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Invention: COMPRESSED DATA STRUCTURE AND DECOMPRESSION SYSTEM

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:
 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	33	MINUS	33	0	\$9	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	0	\$42	\$ 0.00

____ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of 12/30/1999 to and through _____, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

_____ one month (\$55) _____ three months (\$460)
 _____ two months (\$200) _____ four months (\$720)

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT	0.00
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____ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.


____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

____ A check in the amount of \$ _____ is attached.

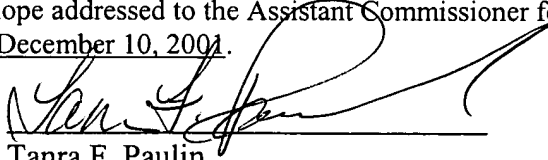
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December 10, 2001
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